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THE GUATEMALAN ARMY IS DEVELOPING A CAMPAIGN TO  
PUBLICIZE THE GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES OF EFRAIN ((BAMACA)) VELASQUEZ,  
ALIAS "COMANDANTE EVERARDO." [REDACTED]

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DEFENSE GENERAL STAFF COLONEL JOSE LUIS ((FERNANDEZ)) LIGORRIA SUPPORTS THE CAMPAIGN, AND PROVIDED MINISTER OF DEFENSE GENERAL MARIO RENE ((ENRIQUEZ)) MORALES WITH A GENERAL BRIEFING ON THE PLAN IN MID-APRIL 1995. ENRIQUEZ, WHILE ALSO SUPPORTIVE, INDICATED THAT HE FEELS IT IS TOO LATE FOR SUCH A CAMPAIGN. ENRIQUEZ WAS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT THE CAMPAIGN MIGHT APPEAR TO BE AN ATTACK ON THE U.S. CITIZEN WIFE OF BAMACA, JENNIFER ((HARBURY)). ENRIQUEZ IS ALLOWING PLANNING FOR THE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN TO CONTINUE, BUT WILL NOT IMPLEMENT THE CAMPAIGN UNLESS AN OPPORTUNE MOMENT PRESENTS ITSELF.

2. THE ARMY ESTIMATES THAT DURING 1991, SEVEN GUATEMALAN ARMY SOLDIERS WERE KILLED AND 30 WOUNDED IN SAN MARCOS DEPARTMENT IN AMBUSHES LIKELY ORGANIZED BY BAMACA. THE PLAN THEREFORE CALLS FOR THE FORMATION OF A COMMITTEE MADE UP OF THE FAMILIES OF THE DEAD AND WOUNDED SOLDIERS TO PUBLICIZE THEIR SIDE OF THE INTERNAL CONFLICT STORY.

IDEAS BEING CONSIDERED BY THE ARMY INCLUDE SENDING THE FAMILY MEMBERS TO WASHINGTON TO MEET WITH U.S. CONGRESSMEN, PROVIDING PHOTOS TO THE PRESS OF AMPUTEE SOLDIERS WOUNDED IN THE AMBUSHES, AND EVEN USING THE ADMISSION OF BAMACA'S U.S. CITIZEN WIFE THAT SHE WAS WITH BAMACA DURING THIS TIME. (SOURCE COMMENT: THE IDEA IS NOT TO CONFRONT HARBURY. INSTEAD, THE ARMY JUST WANTS TO SHOW THAT SHE COLLABORATED WITH BAMACA, AND THAT, THEREFORE, SHE MAY HAVE BEEN AN ACCOMPLICE IN THE DEATHS OF THE GUATEMALAN SOLDIERS KILLED IN THE AMBUSHES.)